

REMARKS

Claims 21, 23, 25, 27, 29-36, and 39-43 were pending in the application, with Claims 21, 40 and 41 being independent. Claims 24, 26, 28, 37 and 38 were canceled in amendment filed May 4, 2001 and are correctly shown here as canceled. Claims 21, 40, and 41 have been previously amended. Upon entry of these amendments, Claims 21, 23, 25, 27, 29-36, and 39-43 will be pending and under active consideration, with Claims 21, 40, and 41 being independent.

In response to the Office Action entitled "Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.121" dated October 20, 2004, Applicants respectfully submit that the inadvertent presentation of the text of the canceled claims has been corrected herein.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully request that the above-identified amendments to the specification and claims be made prior to the examination of the above-referenced application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge additional fees necessary to complete this filing and credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1710.

Respectfully submitted,



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